

# Dancing Outdoors, Politics in Schools, and Kicking Donkeys

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Several people in the 46th Assembly District have asked me if it is true that the California State Legislature passed a law during the 1957 General Session that legalized "outdoor dancing." I asked them where they got this idea and they said they read it in some newspaper. At my request, the Legislative Counsel in Sacramento conducted an exhaustive research and on November 20, 1957, rendered their opinion No. 655, as follows:

"You have asked whether any bill to legalize outdoor dancing was enacted into law at the 1957 Regular Session of the Legislature. There was no such legislation enacted at the 1957 Regular Session of the Legislature. In this connection, it should be noted that there is apparently no provision of the present statutory law of the State which would make outdoor dancing, as such, unlawful." This was signed by Ernest H. Kunzi, Deputy, on behalf of Ralph N. Kleps, Legislative Counsel.

**Jury Wants Laws**  
When you read the resolution by the Grand Jury which I quote below, please write to me at Post Office Box 177, Inglewood 5, Calif., and tell me what you think the Legislature should do about the problem. Here is the exact wording of the resolution on which I need your advice:

"County of Los Angeles 1957 Grand Jury, 548 Hall of Justice, Los Angeles 12 Telephone Mutual 9211. Extension 3243

RESOLUTION, Nov. 15, 1957  
"WHEREAS, the 1957 Los Angeles County Grand Jury has received a substantial number of complaints from parents of school children and other citizens objecting to the injection of partisan politics in our public school systems; and  
"WHEREAS, an inquiry has revealed that public school teachers in classrooms advocated particular candidates for office and during school hours not only encouraged students to influence the decisions of parents concerning elections, but to actively participate in political campaigns; and  
"WHEREAS, it appears that this type of activity by public school personnel is prohibited by the Education Code, but without penal provisions;  
"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 1957 Los Angeles County Grand Jury urges the California Legislature to enact legislation with a view to provide penalties for violations of this nature."  
"Signed) James Sheldon Riley, Foreman, Los Angeles County Grand Jury; Mrs. Walter W. Trask, chairman, Schools Committee; and Mrs. Jeanette G. Kirman, Secretary, Los Angeles County Grand Jury."

**Beware of Tractors**  
A few years ago we reported in this column that more people were kicked to death by mules, burros and donkeys than lost their lives in aircraft accidents. The tractor, which is the modern equivalent of the mule for most purposes, maintains the tradition established by its long-eared predecessors. In the year 1955, the last year for which I have obtained reliable records, there were 126 more people in the United States killed in tractor accidents than died in aircraft accidents.

**Power from the Ocean**  
One of my many objections to the Feather River Project, also called the California Water Plan, is that it entirely disregards progress in atomic energy, which is more properly called nuclear energy. Dr. Herbert York, Director of the University of California laboratory at Livermore, in an address to the delegates to the Western Electronics Convention, said that if all the oceans were gasoline, they could supply only a tiny fraction of the energy that will be available in the age of thermonuclear power. At this point, we shall interrupt to explain that thermonuclear power, as distinguished from nuclear power obtained from radium, thorium, and similar substances, is a fusion instead of a fission process and is related to harnessing the hydrogen bomb. In still simpler terms, we can forget the costly radium, thorium, etc., and get the power from the hydrogen in the ocean, or from rivers.

**Power Giants**  
Each gallon of water on earth contains enough heavy hydrogen to produce the amount of energy in 265 gallons of gasoline. Regardless of

how much water we used for thermonuclear power, there would be plenty of water left over, because if all this heavy hydrogen were taken from the ocean and burned in reactors the volume of the ocean would be reduced only 1/6000 of its present volume.  
Dr. Herbert York's work at

the laboratory in Livermore, Calif., relates to the hydrogen bomb and related nuclear problems. Since we do not know how much the Russians know about American progress in this field, full details cannot be given, but I do know enough to be convinced that risking the bankruptcy of the State of California just to please powerful group which can get rich from the California Water Plan, without guaranteeing water to the South, is foolhardy in the face of progress in nuclear science. Please send your opinions to me at Post Office Box 177, Inglewood 5, Calif.

## High School Announces Its Christmas Concert Program

The Third Annual Christmas Concert will be presented by the Torrance High School Music Department Friday, Dec. 13, at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.  
The program will open with the High School band playing Traditional Carol, Overture to "The Messiah," and "White Christmas." The Girls' Glee Club will sing "No Cradle Was There And No Fire," "O Holy Night," "Sing Gloria," and a special arrangement of "Jingle Bells."

The High School Orchestra will play "The Christmas Overture" and "Hansel and Gretel." This will be followed by the 80-voice Tartar Choir singing "Sing and Rejoice," "Jesu Bambino," "Adoramus Te," "Star of the East," and "Carol of the Bells."  
The concert will conclude with the combined organizations performing Irving Berlin's "White Christmas," a medley of Christmas carols, and the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah.

## Supervisors Eye Cuts in Courthouse Building

A proposal to add five major improvements to the County Courthouse at a cost of \$1,124,500 was opposed this week by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn who pointed out that elimination of all of the proposals would not adversely affect the operation of the courts.  
Hahn opposed the expenditures item by item as follows:  
1. Ceramic veneer for the upper portion of the Courthouse building, at a cost of \$282,000. This expenditure was killed on Hahn's motion when

he revealed that the surfaces could be painted to conform to the style of the building at a cost of \$500.  
**Further Study**  
2. Addition of 27,000 sq. ft. of additional floor space at an additional cost of \$212,500. This item was also referred for additional study.  
4. Additional granite facing, costing \$155,000 on the north wall of the Courthouse. This was approved by the board on a 3-1 vote, with Burton W. Chace, John Anson Ford, and

Warren M. Dorn approving and Hahn opposing. Hahn pointed out that the additional granite was not necessary.  
**Tunnel Dropped**  
5. Pedestrian tunnel for the Courthouse costing \$375,000 was killed by the board on Hahn's motion.  
Hahn, who is chairman of the Board of Supervisors' committee on the courts, declared that none of the improvements would increase the efficiency of the courts and did not justify the great expense.

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